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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Shinichiro TANIGUCHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2136

Application No.: 09/454,865

Examiner: C. G. Colin

Filed: December 7, 1999

Docket No.: 104934

For: DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the January 5, 2005 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims;

**Amendments to the Drawings** include attached replacement sheets; and

**Remarks.**